

**GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF VETERINARY MEDICINE**  
**February 7, 2007 Board Meeting**

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Veterinary Medicine was held on Wednesday, February 7, 2007, at the Professional Licensing Boards, in Macon Georgia.

**The following Board members were present:**

Jan Hines, DVM, President  
Becky E. Malphus, DVM  
Needham Bateman, DVM  
Jim Brett, DVM  
Hugh Hill, DVM  
Charles Lance, Consumer Member

**Others Present:**

Anita O. Martin, Executive Director  
Eva Holmes, Board Secretary  
Amelia Baker, Assistant District Attorney/Board Attorney  
Melanie Parham, GVTAA  
Scott Piper, GVMA  
Kelly M. Foltz, GVTAA  
Lynn Reece, GVTAA  
Carole Miller, Athens Tech  
Edward Mahaffey, GVMA, LAC  
Charles Dobbins, GVMA, LAC

President Hines established that a quorum was present, and the meeting that was scheduled to begin at 9:30 a.m. was **called to order** at 9:30 a.m.

**Minutes from the December 6, 2006 meeting:** Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Bateman seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the minutes.

**Ratify list of newly issued licenses:** Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Hill seconded and the Board voted to **ratify** the following list of newly issued licenses.

License Number	Name	License Type
VET007570	Walsh, Michael T	Veterinarian
VET007571	Dilger, Michael J	Veterinarian
VET007572	Laas, Cody Alexander	Veterinarian
VET007573	Flood, Tania Kristin	Veterinarian
VET007574	Cohen, Joyce K	Veterinarian
VET007575	Reid, Elisabeth Andrea	Veterinarian
VET007576	House, Amanda Martabano	Veterinarian
VET007577	Hudgins, Jane Grayson	Veterinarian
VET007578	Cox, Angela Seaney	Veterinarian
VET007579	Cutter, Katherine Virginia	Veterinarian
VETF000504	Epstein, Kira L	Veterinary Faculty
VETF000505	Swist, Shannon Lee	Veterinary Faculty
VETT000797	Pomeroy, Jennifer Lee	Veterinary Technician

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VETT000798	Flanagan, Jessica Kelly	Veterinary Technician
	<b>Reinstatements</b>	
VET005823	Gay, Michael James	Veterinarian
VET004060	Chapman, Michael David	Veterinarian
VET006987	Barnes, Linsay Elizabeth	Veterinarian

**Appointments:**

- **Dr. Femi Ajay and Inez Lockett with the Examination Development and Testing Unit** – Discussed the implementation of the Vet Tech Exam. The Board developed an Exam Committee that will work with the Exam and Testing Unit in the formulation of the Vet Tech Exam. The Committee members are Becky E. Malphus, DVM; Carl Daugherty, DVM and Jeff Creamer, DVM.
- **Edward Mahaffey, DVM and Charles Dobbins, DVM with Georgia Veterinarian Medical Association Legislative Action Committee** – Discussed the possibility of the Board revisiting Board Rules 700-14 and 700-15. – The Board is reviewing these board rules.

**Miscellaneous:**

- Correspondence from Dr. Tracy Land re: Veterinary Technician Rules – Board response: Respond that board appreciates input and is reviewing Board Rules 700-14 and 700-15. Encourage them to attend any future meetings. Also, inform that we have added them to the Interested Party list to receive copies of all proposed rules revisions.
- Correspondence from Dr. Paul Glouton re: Veterinary Technician Rules - Board response: Respond that board appreciates input and is reviewing Board Rules 700-14 and 700-15. Encourage them to attend any future meetings. Also, inform that we have added them to the Interested Party list to receive copies of all proposed rules revisions.
- Correspondence from Dr. Charles Dobbins re: Veterinary Technician Rules - Board response: Respond that board appreciates input and is reviewing Board Rules 700-14 and 700-15. Encourage them to attend any future meetings. Also, inform that we have added them to the Interested Party list to receive copies of all proposed rules revisions.

**Executive Director's Report** – Ms. Anita Martin

- Gave a report on Secretary of State Karen Handel's visit.
- Provided the renewal statistics.
- Inquired whether any legislative issues were pending.

**Compliance Report:**

- Dr. Stuart Burnett plan of CE course – Dr. Hines motioned, Dr. Brett seconded and the Board voted to approve.

Dr. Hill made a motion, Dr. Malphus seconded and the Board voted to enter into **Executive Session** in accordance with O.C.G.A §43-1-19(h)(2) and §43-1-2(k) to deliberate on applications and enforcement matters and to receive information on applications, investigative reports, and the Assistant Attorney General's report. Voting in favor of the motion were those present who included Dr. Brett and Mr. Lance. The

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Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to vote on these matters and to continue with the public session.

**T.H. – Vet applicant – Ohio verification indicates disciplinary action.** – approved with a letter of concern re: non disclosure of previous disciplinary action in Ohio.

**D.E.C. – requesting alternative to obtain CE hours** – approve upon receipt of documentation that 6½ hours of contact time were met.

**D.C.F. – renewal applicant requesting honorary license** – denied – no allocation in law.

**F.R.S. – reinstatement applicant** — approved

**S.E.F. – renewal applicant – renewed online; answered “no” to question regarding sanctions.** – approve with a public consent order mirroring the Tennessee order with two years probation and \$500.00 fine.

**REPORTS:**

**Anita O. Martin, Executive Director’s Report:**

- **Request for refunds –**
  - S.V. – request for renewal late fee refund – denied
  - G.S. – request for pro-rated reinstatement fee – denied
  - K.S. – request for renewal late fee – denied
- **Consent orders were accepted** for Mark Cobb, DVM; Lindy K. Wang, DVM; Shari Cobb, DVM; Gail Davison, DVM; Jedidiah Marcus Green, DVM; and Christine M. Walker, DVM.

**Needham Bateman, Cognizant Report:**

<b>Case #</b>	<b>Recommendation</b>
<b>VET60097 &amp; VET004522</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET060004 &amp; VET070022</b>	<b>Referred to enforcement for facility inspection</b>
<b>VET060095</b>	<b>Request necropsy report from VET</b>
<b>VET060106</b>	<b>Close – no violation</b>
<b>VET070002</b>	<b>Close – no violation</b>
<b>VET070003</b>	<b>Close – no violation</b>
<b>VET070004</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070007</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070021</b>	<b>Refer to Peer Reviewer</b>
<b>VET070023</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070025</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070027</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070031</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070037</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070039</b>	<b>Pending response from respondent</b>
<b>VET070040</b>	<b>Close with letter of concern</b>
<b>VET070046</b>	<b>Close – no violation</b>

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**Hugh Hill, Cognizant Report**

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
<b>VET060020</b>	<b>Contact GA Protection Agency for additional information</b>

**Lynn Eason, Enforcement Report:**

<u>Case #</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>
<b>VET050073</b>	<b>Close</b>
<b>VET060078</b>	<b>Schedule follow up inspection</b>
<b>VET070005</b>	<b>Schedule follow up inspection</b>

**Amelia Baker, Board Attorney Report**

- VET060017 – referred to Peer Reviewer.
- VET050076 – updated case – Please use case #

Legal Services –

- G.S.D. – reinstatement consent order - denied

Dr. Brett made a motion, Dr. Malphus seconded and the Board voted to **approve** the recommendations made in the Executive Session. Dr. Hill abstained from the vote on VET070003.

The next Board meeting is scheduled for April 11, 2007 at 9:30 A.M. at the Professional Licensing Boards in Macon, Georgia.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 5:12 P.M.

**Minutes recorded by:** Eva Holmes, Board Secretary

**Minutes edited by:** Anita O. Martin, Executive Director

***These minutes were approved at the April 11, 2007  
Board meeting.***